

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 4 May 64	2. LOCATION Boise, Idaho	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Flare</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 05/0300Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE multi	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION n/a	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS two (?)	9. COURSE falling
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING News coverage of 20,000 candle power flare reported initially by Boise TV stations. Unidentified observer reported firball to TV station. Man had set-off this surplus marine flare to show son. Flare descended on 12 ft parachute. This explained rash of reports from area.	11. COMMENTS FLARE	

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ACTION: NIN-7

ZNR ZFH-1

INFO : SAF-OS-3, XOP-1, XOPX-4, DIA-15 (3)

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RUCDSQ/AFSC FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RUEAHQ/HEADQUARTERS USAF AFNIN WASH 25 DC

RUEAHQ/SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE SAFOI WASH 25 DC

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UNCLAS IX0 10220. UFO. DUE TO WIDESPREAD NEWS COVERAGE THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED ON 20,000 CANDLE POWER FLARE INITIALLY REPORTED BY BOISE TV STATIONS AS UFO. DESCRIBED AS REDDISH ORANGE FIREBALL SLOWLY DESCENDING INTO SEAMANS GULCH NORTHWEST OUTSKIRTS OF BOISE, IDAHO, AT 0300 ZULU 5 MAY, DWIGHT JENSEN, KBOI-TV NEWS REPORTER REVEALED TO THE INVESTIGATING OFFICER THAN AN UNIDENT

IFIED MAN CALLED HIM TO EXPLAIN THE FIREBALL. HE HAD SET OFF ONE SURPLUS TWENTY THOUSAND CANDLE POWER MARINE FLARE, OF WHICH HE HAS MANY, IN ORDER TO SHOW IT TO

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HIS SON. THESE FLARES DESCEND ON A TWELVE FOOT PARACHUTE.

MR. JENSEN CONVINCED HIMSELF OF THE AUTHENTICITY OF
THE EXPLANATION. DUE TO THE TIMELY EXPLANATION OF
THE UFO ON 5 MAY THE INVESTIGATION WAS SUSPENDED BY
MOUNTAIN HOME AFB OFFICIALS.

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2150 Local
flares

Following message received by black phone:

5 May 0534 Z

FM: Sgt. Brown AF Command Post - Pentagon

^{by SAC at}

Message from SAC received 0450 Z reports that the Sheriff of Boise, Idaho, called Mountain Home AFB to report that 2 large red ~~flares~~ balls were seen by several reliable witnesses.

Witnesses reported the balls seemed to be landing — instead of falling — because of a gradual movement downward and flames shooting downward. Landing area was reported as 10-12 miles NW of Boise. Sheriff's ^{men} and SAC officers will check the landing area in the morning.

FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECEIVED BY BLACK PHONE: 5 MAY/0534Z

FM: SGT BROWN AF COMMAND POST - PENTAGON.

MESSAGE FROM SAC RECEIVED BY SAC AT 0450Z REPORTS THAT THE SHERIFF OF BOISE, IDAHO, CALLED MOUNTAIN HOME AFB TO REPORT THAT 2 LARGE RED BALLS WERE SEEN BY SEVERAL RELIABLE WITNESSES.

WITNESSES REPORTED THE BALLS SEEMED TO BE LANDING - INSTEAD OF FALLING - BECAUSE OF A GRADUAL MOVEMENT DOWNWARD AND FLAMES SHOOTING ~~DOWNWARD~~ DOWNWARD. LANDING AREA WAS REPORTED AS 10-12 MILES NW OF BOISE. SHERIFF'S MEN AND SAC OFFICERS WILL CHECK THE LANDING AREA IN THE MORNING.

THIS WAS A 20,000 ~~CANDLE~~ CANDLE POWER FLARE. MAN AND HIS SON ADMITTED SHOOTING IT OFF. UFO OFFICER DIDN'T GET THERE NAMES. IT WAS BROADCASTED OVER THE RADIO. UFO OFFICER DROPPED THE INVESTIGATION BECAUSE IT WAS NO LONGER A UFO. CASE CLOSED.

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